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## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of : Miles Aram DEFOREST and  
 Eric Trounson MACHARDY, Jr.

Serial no. : 09/579,670  
 Filed : May 26, 2000

For : FAULT TOLERANT SYSTEM SHARED SYSTEM  
 RESOURCE WITH STATE MACHINE LOGGING

Group Art Unit : 2184  
 Examiner : Rita A. Ziemer  
 Docket : EMCCOR P11AUS

The Commissioner for Patents  
 P. O. Box 1450  
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## RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

[XXX] NO FEES ARE PAYABLE WITH RESPECT TO THIS RESPONSE.

In response to the official action mailed April 25, 2003, please enter the following before reconsideration of this application.

In the Abstract:

Please enter a new Abstract of the Disclosure as follows into the record of this case.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1-13 and 15 as follows and please enter the amended claims into the record of this case.